

# Calendar

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2009

• Tri-League of Women Voters (Beach Cities-Palos Verdes-Torrance) invites you to our Annual Kickoff Breakfast Buffet 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM at Marie Callendar's, 21211 Hawthorne Blvd. 310-540-9696. Please contact Ms. Peggy Barlett at 310-545-1087.

• Mustang football/cheer Car Wash/BBQ/ Bake sale. Come and get your car washed and enjoy a hamburger or hot dog from the snack stand folk and a tasty treat from the Cheer bake sale. Supports Mira Costa Football and Cheer programs. 10:00AM to 3:00PM in the parking lot off Peck Avenue. Car wash \$5.00 donation.

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2009

• Caregivers Support Group. A support group has been formed in Manhattan Beach for caregivers of persons with Alzheimer's disease and other related dementia or memory loss. The group will have the opportunity to share their experiences, provide information, and do problem solving of similar situations. Caregivers are welcome and participation is free. The group will meet from 1: 30 to 3:30. To participate, call Madonna Newburg at 310-546-1876 for information and location.

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2009

• California Republican Assembly-South Bay Chapter will meet from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the El Segundo Library. For further information call 310-406-5429.

## TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2009

• Manhattan Beach Farmers Market offers fresh, locally grown, fruits, vegetables, flowers, artisan foods, etc. located on 13th Street between Morningside and Valley Drive 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Sponsored by the Downtown Manhattan Beach Business Association 310-379-9901.

## WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2009

• Fundraiser for the American Heart Association, back to basics *COMPASSION* enjoy an evening at the one of a kind, stately and architectural Manhattan Beach hillside home of Goldstein filled with bold and cutting edge contemporary art. \$100 per person to attend, additional donations accepted! Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Cocktails and hearty cuisine madness. RSVP/contact: Charles Claver 310-545-8847 or charles.claver@unionbank.com ..

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2009

• The community is invited to attend the fourth workshop focused on the Mira Costa High School Master Plan occurring on October 1, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Mira Costa Cafeteria. A master plan for Mira Costa will be presented that incorpo-

rates ideas developed by audience members during the previous community workshops. Participants will provide input on the proposed master plan, and representatives of the architectural firm of Harley Ellis Devereaux will lead a discussion including items approved on the project list for Measure BB, near and long-term components, phasing, sustainability, and demolition, renovation, and new construction.

## UPCOMING

• The Manhattan Beach Town Fair needs volunteers during Fair weekend Saturday October 3 and Sunday October 4, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. If you are interested in volunteering a few hours of your time please call or email Mary Morigaki 310-545-7888 freespeechandvolunteers@mbfair.org .

• Manhattan Beach Police Officer Jeff Goodrich needs your help. Officer Goodrich was diagnosed with a brain tumor earlier this year. He underwent brain surgery and a stage 4 glioblastoma cancerous tumor was removed, he requires months of follow up treatments including radiation and chemotherapy.His fellow Officers and co-workers at MBPD are organizing a fund raiser at the Hometown Fair, October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> "Dunk A Cop" tank, please drop by our booth and try your hand at 'Dunking A Cop'.

• Adieu from the garden shop at Annie's Gardens, all of our good friends and customers will have the opportunity to save 50% and more on everything in the store. Plants, fountains, outdoor furniture, antiques.... Our final day is approaching fast, so come on in early to get the best selection. Everything must go!!! www.annies-gardens.com .

## ONGOING

• A beginner class in Scottish Country Dancing is starting in Manhattan Beach on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm. The class meets at the Knights of Columbus Hall 224 1/2 S. Sepulveda Blvd., Manhattan Beach. The first two lessons are free. For further information contact Willma 310-546-2005.

• Sea Story Time at the Roundhouse Aquarium 11:30 a.m. each Sunday the Aquarium features a unique interactive experience for children that involves listening to a story about ocean animals, exploring real animal artifacts, and doing a craft that they can take home. Afterwards, they can enjoy all the wonderful displays the aquarium has to offer. This program is free, but donations are greatly appreciated. The Roundhouse Marine Studies Lab and Aquarium is located at the end of the Manhattan Beach pier. For more information call 310-379-8117 visit roundhouseaquarium.org

# Roundhouse Marine Studies Lab and Aquarium

## AQUARIUM VOLUNTEERS WANTED

The Roundhouse Marine Studies Lab and Aquarium, located at the end of the Manhattan Beach pier, is seeking volunteers to assist staff members. Duties include helping to feed the animals, reading sea stories to children, setting up for special events, and interacting with members of the public who visit the aquarium.

Volunteers must be 14 or older and willing to work at least two hours a week for a three-month commitment. This is an excellent position for students who need to complete community service hours and for anyone who wishes to help with the operation of one of Manhattan Beach's primary attractions. It also provides an excellent item for any resume.

In order to volunteer, complete an application and turn it in to the Volunteer Coordinator. The application is available at the Roundhouse or online at [www.roundhouseaquarium.org](http://www.roundhouseaquarium.org) and can be submitted by

mail, fax, or by bringing it to the Aquarium. Once you turn in the application, the Volunteer Coordinator will tell you when the next volunteer trainings are. These are two 3-hour sessions that are held each month. Once trained, you can begin volunteering during the Aquarium's hours of operation, which are 3 p.m. until sunset on weekdays and 10 a.m. until sunset on weekends.

Volunteers at the aquarium gain knowledge about the ocean and its inhabitants, learn to care for marine animals, develop environmental and oceanic awareness, and receive information regarding marine-related scholarships and other opportunities.

They also receive rewards for their work — a ribbon after 50 hours, a water bottle after 100, a t-shirt after 150, and a sweatshirt after 200 hours.

For more information, contact Lauren Holman, the Volunteer Coordinator, at 310-379-8117 or visit the website listed above. •

# How Well Do You Know Your Town's History?



An aerial view in the early 1940s of Metlox and the Civic Center prior to the building of the previous Police and Fire departments. The large building to the upper left was the old City Hall, which occupied the present City Hall location.

## ABRIDGED FROM A WALK BESIDE THE SEA By Jan Dennis

The recovery period after World War II saw new office/residential buildings in town—for example, Dr. B. Star's building at 1216 Highland Avenue. The first floor provided for business while the second floor contained living units. In 1946, one of the largest transactions was the purchase of the Prouty family's Metlox Pottery Company by Mr. Evan Shaw. The property sat at the corner of Manhattan Beach Boulevard and Valley Drive with Morningside Drive on the west.

Born in Pennsylvania in 1909, Evan Shaw was one of six children who were brought

up in Ridgefield Park, New Jersey. His excellent athletic ability won him a scholarship to William and Mary College where he achieved an outstanding record in many sports. He tried out for the 1932 Olympics, which introduced him to California where he enrolled and worked his way through USC. With Shaw's uncanny ability for tuning projects into a profitable enterprise, he became involved in ceramic manufacturing.

The first dinnerware pattern produced at Metlox under Shaw's leadership was "California Ivy" under the trade name "Poppytrail." From the very beginning, the company

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CALENDAR ITEMS: Prior Friday at noon.

PEOPLE ITEMS: Prior Friday at noon.

DISPLAY AD CHANGES: Prior Thursday at noon.

CLASSIFIEDS: Tuesday at noon.

LEGAL NOTICES: Monday at noon.

NEW DISPLAY ADS: Prior Thursday at noon.

REAL ESTATE ADS: Monday at noon.

AD CANCELLATIONS: Prior Thursday.

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